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PROBE BILL PASSES HOUSE

Bill for Commission to Probe
Hawaii Affairs Up This
Afternoon

HOLSTEIN TAKES FLOOR
AND MAKES STRONG TALK

Final Vote Is 22 to 7, After Two
Amendments Are
Beaten

(Special Star-Bulletin Wireless.)
HILLO, Hawaii, March 26.—The
dignation is freely expressed
here at the opposition to the
passage of Senate Bill 78 in the
House. The talk that the bill
should not pass because it would
put a burden on Hawaii county
is considered a mere pretense to
hide opposition to the investigation.
Prominent businessmen de-
clare that if the expense is ren-
derable it is immaterial who pays
it, and that the important thing
is the passage of the bill.

By a vote of 22 to 7 the house
this afternoon passed on third reading
the bill providing a commission to in-
vestigate the Hawaii county financial
scandal. The bill was passed as it
came from the senate and now goes
to the governor for his signature, after
which it becomes a law immediately.
Governor Frear has already signified
his approval of the bill.

The passage of the measure in the
house was accomplished easier than
had been expected by those who knew
the desperate fight that had been put
up by certain Hawaii interests
and men who took their part here.

The bill was passed on a motion to
pass or indefinitely postpone.
Those who voted to indefinitely
postpone the bill, that is, the votes
against its passage, were Dr. Archer
Irwin of Hawaii, J. S. Kalakila of
Oahu, H. M. Kaniho of Oahu, D. M.
Kuphea of Oahu, Norman K. Lyman
of Hawaii and J. K. Paole and J. M.
Poepoe of Oahu.

Loia of Kaula was absent. All the
other representatives voted for the bill.

The result is a victory for those who
have insisted upon complete and un-
trammelled investigation of Hawaii
county affairs, among whom the Star-
Bulletin has been one.

Holstein Takes Floor

The first three rounds of the battle
in the house were won by Speaker
Holstein and those who favored Sen-
ate Bill 78 without any serious
change in its passage through the
house. Incidentally, the speaker went
down on the floor and fought with
consummate skill and effect for the
bill and the carrying through of the
commission plan as originally drafted.
Mr. Holstein's strong presentation on
the floor was one of the sensational
features of the debate.

When the bill came up for third
reading, Dr. Archer Irwin of
Hawaii, took the floor and proposed
three amendments, explaining each as
it was offered. Two of the three were
the two already mentioned in the Star-
Bulletin.

The first amendment cut the word
"territory" out of Section 3 and sub-
stituted the words "County of Hawaii,"
the effect being to confine the sit-
tings of the commission to that coun-
ty. Speaker Holstein moved to table
this amendment, declaring that to
make this restriction would hamper
the work of the commission as well
as made it practically necessary for
the governor to name only men from
Hawaii county on the commission.

Holstein's talk was followed by the
vote, and his motion to table the
amendment carried by 15 to 14.
Holstein did not object to the sec-
ond amendment, which put the han-
dling of the commission's funds in
the hands of the commission instead
of the attorney general, and the
third amendment was unanimously
carried.

The third amendment, and one of
the important ones, as moved by Dr.
Irwin, was to strike out Section 12
of the bill. Section 12 provides that
the county of Hawaii shall bear the
expense of the investigation. Hol-
stein, forceful and emphatic, moved to
table this amendment also, pointing
out that to adopt it would be to re-
move the vitality of the bill, that Ha-
waii county supervisors and business
men have come forward with the of-
fer of the county to bear the expense,
and that the county should stand the
burden of "washing its own dirty
linen."

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MAGUIRE INDICTED BY HILO GRAND JURY; WILL GIVE THE BONDS

(Special Star-Bulletin Wireless.)
HILLO, Hawaii, March 26.—The
grand jury today returned two in-
dictments against the same person
and the indictments were placed on
the secret file. Bail was fixed at \$2500
for each indictment. The jurors were
then given a term recess.

(Special Star-Bulletin Wireless.)
HILLO, Hawaii, March 26.—It was
learned later today that Auditor Ma-
guire was the man indicted by the
jury. The jury was unanimous on the
indictment. Maguire will appear in
court at 2 o'clock and give bonds.

M'CANDLESS GETS MESSAGE FROM SEC. LANE

In response to a message from Sec-
retary of the Interior Lane, L. L. Mc-
Candless, candidate for the appoint-
ment of governor of Hawaii, left for
Washington today on the Wilhelmina,
sailing this morning at 10 o'clock.
The report published in the Star-
Bulletin yesterday that pretty direct
intimations had come to gubernatorial
candidates that they should present
themselves at Washington was con-
firmed by the news Mr. McCandless
received, and though the details of the
message were not given out, it is said
to have come at the suggestion of Sec-
retary Lane. McCandless's backers
this morning were jubilant, feeling
that he would not be called to Wash-
ington unless he had a mighty good
chance of being named.

Attorney Harry Irwin of Hilo was
another prominent Democrat going
out by the Wilhelmina. He will go to
Washington and oppose a cut in the
sugar tariff, representing the Hilo
board of trade. Mr. Irwin said this
morning that Carl Carlsmith has been
retained as attorney for Auditor Ma-
guire, now accused of misappropriat-
ing county funds. Irwin was original-
ly retained.

A number of McCandless's friends
gathered to bid him good-luck on his
mission.
Mr. Waller is said to have had about
the same message that McCandless
got, but as he was in Washington but
a few days ago and met Wilson and
Lane, it is not considered that there
is need for him to present himself
again at this time.

MAJ. PENN IS NAMED BRIGADE ADJUTANT HERE

General Macomb has completed the
organization of the First Hawaiian
Brigade by filling the staff position
left vacant when the order brigading
the three infantry regiments was first
published. Major Julius Penn, of the
First Infantry, has been appointed
brigade adjutant, and will report for
duty April 1.

Major Penn came to Honolulu at
the time of the last maneuvers, and
acted as senior umpire with the Red
army during the bloodless campaign
of Oahu that occupied the latter part
of October, 1912. He then joined his
regiment, and has been stationed at
Schofield Barracks since that time.

Major Penn graduated from West
Point in 1886, and was a first lieuten-
ant in the Second Infantry at the
time of the Spanish-American war.

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SUBPOENAS SERVED ON HILO BANK OFFICIALS

According to news from Hawaii last
night, subpoenas were issued and
served yesterday upon officials of the
First Bank of Hilo, ordering them to
appear before the grand jury and
bring books and other material that
may relate to the alleged defalcation
of Auditor Maguire.

The members of the grand jury are
Abram Lindsay, J. A. C. Annie, W. H.
Barringer, L. S. Canario, C. D. Green,
Henry West, John Vierra, J. D. Lewis,
George Mundon, Alex. Valentine, H.
Macy, W. J. Bell, X. L. Helbush, N. C.
Williams, J. Jamieson, Horace John-
son and J. C. Moeline.

The speaker's motion to table this
amendment was carried by a vote of
19 to 10.

Then Representative Kaniho of Oa-
hu inserted himself into the fray with
a motion to postpone action on the bill
indefinitely. Kaniho began a long
speech in which he declared that the
commission plan should not be adopt-
ed; that it is up to the attorney-gen-
eral and other officials already consti-
tuted to do the investigating of Hawaii
county affairs.

The house session today, with its
prospect of lively debate, attracted
more general interest than any other
session so far, and a number of promi-
nent businessmen went to the capitol
to see the smoke of battle go up.

WICKERSHAM TAKES EASILY TO SURFING BUT NOT TO MAKING BANQUET SPEECHES



Former Attorney-general George W.
Wickersham was the guest-of-honor at
an informal dinner given at the Moana
Hotel last night by the Bar Associa-
tion. Mr. Wickersham declined to
make a formal speech or to discuss
national topics, but spoke briefly on
the pleasures of his visit to Hawaii.
The flashlight photograph above, tak-
en by a Star-Bulletin staff photog-
rapher, shows the distinguished guest
seated at the right of President Frank
Thompson of the Bar Association. On
Mr. Thompson's left is Federal Judge
Sanford B. Dole.
Reading from left to right, those
seated are—Secretary of the Territory
E. A. Mott-Smith, D. L. Withington,
the Hon. George W. Wickersham,
President Frank Thompson of the Bar
Association, Federal Judge S. B. Dole,
Judge W. J. Robinson, Judge F. M.
Hatch.
Standing, from left to right—Alex.
Lindsay, E. White Sutton, C. R. Hem-
enway, C. W. Ashford, W. T. Rawlins,
Judge W. L. Whitney, Judge C. F.
Clemens, W. O. Smith, J. M. Monsar-
rat, Chief Justice A. G. M. Robertson,
Judge A. Perry, R. B. Anderson, Jos-
eph Lightfoot, E. A. Douthitt, W. C.
Parke, L. J. Warren.
The photograph below was taken by
the Star-Bulletin photographer when
Mr. Wickersham went surfing last
evening. He is shown about the cen-
ter of the surf-boat, leaning over with
both hands on the side.

KALAKIELA WILL GET OFF WITH A CENSURE

Representative "Jack" Kala-
kiela will be let off with a cen-
sure for his part in the working
up of "banana claims," according
to well-defined report in the low-
er house today.
The judiciary committee of the
house, which has been taking the
evidence in the noted case where
in Kalakila was accused of graft
and divers things, has not yet
completed its work and no report
is expected before Saturday.
However, it comes on good au-
thority that the committee has
found no evidence of grafting
and that its report will recom-
mend the censuring of Kalakila
for violating public policy and
the faith given him by vote of
the people.

MAY EXTRADITE MAN WHO NEGLECTS CHILD

Papers craving the extradition of
Otto Gertz of Honolulu were present-
ed to Gov. Frear this morning, having
first been presented to Attorney-gen-
eral W. W. Thayer by Sheriff Dave
Abern, who has come all the way from
Sacramento, Cal., to bring Gertz back
with him. It is alleged in the papers
that Gertz, who is well known in Ho-
nolulu, pleaded guilty in the Sacra-
mento court to a charge of having
failed to support his child; that sen-
tence was suspended and Gertz paroled;
that Gertz broke his parole and,
upon being apprehended again, was
sentenced to two years' imprisonment;
that, after three months, Gertz was
again released upon parole and that
he broke his parole the second time
and came to Honolulu. The question
that is up to the governor now is
whether or not, under the federal statu-
te covering cases of extradition, it is
his duty to send back Gertz to Cal-
ifornia. Judge Quarles this morning,
arguing in behalf of Gertz, pleaded
that an exception was possible within
the law in the present case. Gertz
will be given every opportunity to
free himself before the law of the ne-
cessity of extradition. Influential
friends in Honolulu, among whom are
former Gov. George R. Carter, will see
to it that his case is represented in all
fairness. Gov. Frear has taken the
matter under consideration with the
attorney general and has reached no
decision as yet in the case.

The house ground away this morn-
ing on its routine of business and did
not get to Senate Bill 78, which was
up for third reading. At noon there
was every prospect that the bill would
be carried, though not by a large
margin. One estimate made by a man
closely in touch with the situation
was that the measure would carry
by nineteen votes against eleven.

M'CANDLESS URGES SENDING OF DEMOCRAT TO OPPOSE TARIFF CUT

Before leaving for Washington this
morning L. L. McCandless, candidate
for governor, expressed his opinion
that the Democratic party of Hawaii
ought to send a delegate to Washing-
ton to urge the party's views here on
the sugar tariff question. McCandless
was discussing the work being done
by the Sugar Protective Committee.

"The Democratic territorial organi-
zation ought to send a delegate to
Washington to urge the policy set
forth in the platform of the party
here," said McCandless. "I would sug-
gest that Prof. M. M. Scott would be
a good man to undertake the mission.
Our platform sets forth a doctrine of
great importance to Hawaii, and our
local organization ought to help in
the fight, especially as the matter is
of such vital local importance."

The local Democratic platform on
the subject is as follows:

"The sugar industry of Hawaii hav-
ing been built up under a protective
tariff and large amounts of capital
having been invested in the said in-
dustry and for the further reason that
the said industry constitutes the main
business of this territory we would
not place the commodity on the free
list, therefore, we heartily endorse the
action taken by the Democratic Terri-
torial Central Committee in adopting
and transmitting to congress the fol-
lowing resolution:

"Resolved, By the Democratic Ter-
ritorial Central Committee of the Ter-
ritory of Hawaii, that we do not favor
the passage of the bill introduced by
Representative Underwood now pend-
ing in the congress of the United
States seeking to remove the tariff on
sugar."

"We therefore pledge our delegates

ADRIANOPOLE FALLS AND ALLIES WIN

City in Flames as Victorious
Soldiers March Gaily
Through Gates

(Associated Press Cable.)
SOFIA, Bulgaria, March 26.—The
victorious Allies, worn out
from their fierce fighting but wild
with enthusiasm, are entering the
city they have wrested from the
Turks. They declare that com-
plete victory over the Ottoman is
at hand.
The city is in flames. It is be-
lieved that when the Turks saw
defeat inevitable, they set fire to
many buildings, while the fierce
bombardment from the guns of
the Allies started many flames
elsewhere.

BATTLE AT CANANEA

(Associated Press Cable.)
NABO, Max., March 26.—An in-
decisive three days' battle is reported
from Cananea. It is still continuing.

COLD DEADLY IN IOWA

(Associated Press Cable.)
COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa, March
26.—The cold is increasing in in-
tensity in this state and the suffering
is growing. More bodies have been
recovered.

(Associated Press Cable.)
DAYTON, Ohio, March 26.—Twelve
thousand people are imprisoned in and
on the big business blocks whose up-
per stories are not yet inundated.

MIAMISBURG, Ohio, March 26.—
This town is practically under water.

DAYTON IN GRIP OF FIRE

Flames Rushing Unchecked
Over City Add to Horror
of Flooded Homes

(Associated Press Cable.)

DAYTON, O., March 26.—With wa-
ter up to the third stories of big
buildings, thousands of people in this
city are marooned on the upper floors
and house-tops, many also having taken
refuge on the roofs of smaller
buildings. To avoid the rising waters,
the people are fleeing desperately
from house-top to house-top.

To add to the horror of the situa-
tion, fire is sweeping much of the city
that is not under water, and because
there is no way of checking the
flames, it is rushing through the city,
even where parts of buildings are sub-
merged.

Several large structures have al-
ready been devoured in the fire and
the hope of checking the flames is
small.

Governor Cox has appealed to the
mayors of all the surrounding cities
and towns to send all the boats pos-
sible to the rescue of the imperiled
people.

The troops have been called out to
assist in the relief work.

HELP FOR STRICKEN CITY.

DAYTON, Ohio, March 26.—Help is
being rushed here from all directions.
Boatloads of food and clothing are
sent from the nearby towns. Several
committees have been organized to
systematize the distribution of the
food and clothing.

RELIEF FUNDS APPROPRIATED.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 26.—Gov-
ernor James M. Cox has asked for
federal relief for the people of Ohio
who are victims of the disaster.
The state legislature today rushed
through an emergency measure appro-
priating \$250,000 at once for relief
work.

INDIANA SUFFERS BADLY.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 26.—
The death lists in this state are rap-
idly growing. Scattering reports show
100 to 200 dead in this city.
ZANESVILLE, Ohio, March 26.—
Six are dead here.

NEWCASTLE, Ind., March 26.—
Three persons are known to be dead
here. At Lafayette two are reported
dead and two at Noblesville. Other
reports indicate scattering deaths in
Indiana, 25.

PROPERTY LOSS ENORMOUS.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 26.—The gen-
eral property loss was today placed at
the enormous total of fifty-five mil-
lions of dollars.

In many portions of the states that
felt the fury of tornado and flood the
food supplies are exhausted and cloth-
ing and medicines are badly needed.
Thousands are marooned, far from
help or shelter, with a temperature of
35 degrees above zero.

PEOPLE ARE TRAPPED.

NORTH DAYTON, Ohio, March 26.—
The rising waters caught many peo-
ple unprepared here and they were
drowned like rats in a trap. The fire
chief is believed to have been drown-
ed. He cannot be located. The fire
now tearing at the city was started by
an explosion of gas or oil.

LOGANSPOUT, Ind., March 26.—
The water is sixteen feet deep in the
streets here.

QUARTER-MILLION HOMELESS.

AKRON, Ohio, March 26.—The res-
ervoir here has broken. The locks
were dynamited in order to free the
waters through the channel and pre-
vent further flooding of the city.
It is estimated that a quarter of a
million people are homeless in
Indiana.

Steubenville and Fort Wayne are
both flooded.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 26.—The
Mississippi river here is twenty-three
feet above low-water mark.
To add to the discomfort of those
who are homeless, snow is reported
falling today in Iowa, Missouri and
Illinois. In the latter state 1200
people are marooned in spite of ef-
forts to reach them by boat.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 26.—
President Wilson has appealed to this
nation to aid the stricken states in
their hour of distress.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 26.—Although
no exact figures can be given in the
confusion and lack of details, the ap-
proximate number of dead near Cin-
cinnati is said to be 200, Dayton 3000,
Piqua from 500 to 540, Delaware 30 to
300, Middletown 50 to 100, Sidney 25
to 50, Hamilton 12, Tipppecanoe 3, Fre-
mont 11, scattering 50 to 300.
Indiana is in almost as bad a plight.

HOUSE OPPOSES CONSERVATION BILL

Party lines were generally forgot-
ten in the house this morning in the
ant measures, though apparently the
founts of oratory were conserved for
this afternoon, when the big fight
over senate bill 8, providing a com-
mission to investigate the Hawaii
county affairs, was scheduled to come
up for third reading.

At the same time conservation, as
a general application to public affairs
was not encouraged by the members
for they put the seal of disapproval
on house bill 119, tabling what was
probably the most important measure
of the morning session.

This bill, introduced by George P.
Cooke, chairman of the agricultural
committee, proposes to turn the re-
venues from water licenses over to the
board of agriculture and forestry for
use in forest protection and in hydro-
graphic survey work. Kupahe moved
to defer action on it indefinitely, de-
claring that as yet he had received no
definite information as to the amount
of the revenues that would be placed
in the agricultural board's control.

The father of the bill announced
they totaled about \$67,000 annually;
he further stated that any and all
information on the subject was in his
possession and had been for some
time, and that all members had had
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SUGAR

SAN FRANCISCO, March 26.—
Beets: 99¢ analysis, 98, 10½¢; parity
4.97 cents.